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2 3 4 5 6 7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 11 No. C 10-03755 CRB BEATRICE EDWARDS and CARL C. EDWARDS, 12 ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL AND Plaintiffs, 13 DENYING REQUEST TO STAY CASE 14 METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE 15 COMPANY, et al., 16 Defendants. 17 Pro se Plaintiffs Beatrice and Carl Edwards have filed a Request for Assistance in 18 obtaining pro bono counsel; they further ask the Court to stay proceedings pending 19 appointment of counsel. That Motion is DENIED without prejudice. If Plaintiffs wish to do 20 21 so, they may visit the Volunteer Legal Services Program ("VLSP") located on the 15th floor of the Federal Building at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, Room 2796. Plaintiffs may make an 22 appointment by calling 415-782-9000 x 8657. Depending on the outcome of Plaintiffs' 23 consultation with VLSP, the Court may reconsider referring Plaintiffs to the Pro Bono 24 25 Project upon a renewed Motion with an exhibit showing that VLSP believes their case is 26 //

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¹ There is no constitutional right to counsel in a civil case. See United States v. 30.64 Acres of Land, 795 F.2d 796, 801 (9th Cir. 1986).

appropriate for appointment of counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 3, 2011

CHARLES R. BREYER UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE